## PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD'S DECISION

APPELLANT: Trajan Ilievski DOCKET NO.: 06-02007.001-R-1 PARCEL NO.: 10-17-108-010

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Trajan Ilievski, the appellant; and the DuPage County Board of Review.

The subject property consists of a one and part two-story brick dwelling built in 1994 containing 3,783 square feet of living area with a full, unfinished basement.

The appellant submitted evidence before the Property Tax Appeal Board claiming unequal treatment in the assessment process as the basis of the appeal. In support of the equity argument, the appellant submitted a grid analysis depicting three suggested comparable properties located in the subject's neighborhood. The comparables are one and part two-story masonry or frame and masonry dwellings that were built between 1994 and 1998. The comparables contain from 2,893 to 3,886 square feet of living area and have improvement assessments ranging from \$139,360 to \$154,110 or from \$39.66 to \$48.72 per square foot of living area. The subject property has an improvement assessment of \$46.26 per square foot of living area. Based on this evidence, the appellant requested a reduction in the subject's assessment.

The board of review submitted its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" wherein the subject's final assessment of \$223,100 was disclosed. In support of the subject's assessment, the board of review offered the property record cards, a letter from the township assessor and a spreadsheet detailing five suggested comparable properties located in the subject's neighborhood. The comparable properties consist of one and part two-story masonry or frame and masonry dwellings that were built 1994 to 2005. The dwellings contain from 2,561 to 3,507 square feet of living area and have improvement assessments ranging from \$124,000 to \$150,950 or from \$41.18 to \$49.47 per square foot of living area.

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Based on the facts and exhibits presented, the Property Tax Appeal Board hereby finds  $\underline{no\ change}$  in the assessment of the property as established by the  $\underline{DuPage}$  County Board of Review is warranted. The correct assessed valuation of the property is:

LAND: \$ 48,110 IMPR.: \$ 174,990 TOTAL: \$ 223,100

Subject only to the State multiplier as applicable.

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Based on this evidence, the board of review requested confirmation of the subject's assessment.

After reviewing the record and considering the evidence, the Property Tax Appeal Board finds that it has jurisdiction over the parties and the subject matter of this appeal. The Property Tax Appeal Board further finds that a reduction in the subject's assessment is not warranted.

The appellant's argument was unequal treatment in the assessment process. The Illinois Supreme Court has held that taxpayers who object to an assessment on the basis of lack of uniformity bear the burden of proving the disparity of assessment valuations by clear and convincing evidence. Kankakee County Board of Review v. Property Tax Appeal Board, 131 Ill.2d 1 (1989). The evidence must demonstrate a consistent pattern of assessment inequities within the assessment jurisdiction. After an analysis of the assessment data, the Board finds the appellant has not overcome this burden.

Both parties presented assessment data on a total of eight equity comparables. The comparables submitted by both parties were generally similar to the subject property. The Board finds three of the board of review's comparables were newer than the subject by 10 years or more, therefore, these properties were given reduced weight in the Board's analysis. The most similar comparables had improvement assessments ranging from \$39.66 to \$49.47 per square foot of living area. The subject's improvement assessment of \$46.26 per square foot is within this range. After considering adjustments and the differences in both parties' suggested comparables when compared to the subject property, the Board finds the subject's per square foot improvement assessment is supported by the most comparable properties contained in the record and a reduction in the subject's assessment is not warranted.

As a result of this analysis, the Property Tax Appeal Board finds the appellant has not adequately demonstrated that the subject dwelling was inequitably assessed by clear and convincing evidence and a reduction is not warranted. This is a final administrative decision of the Property Tax Appeal Board which is subject to review in the Circuit Court or Appellate Court under the provisions of the Administrative Review Law (735 ILCS 5/3-101 et seq.) and section 16-195 of the Property Tax Code.

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DISSENTING:	

## CERTIFICATION

As Clerk of the Illinois Property Tax Appeal Board and the keeper of the Records thereof, I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true, full and complete Final Administrative Decision of the Illinois Property Tax Appeal Board issued this date in the above entitled appeal, now of record in this said office.

Date: May 30, 2008

Clerk of the Property Tax Appeal Board

## IMPORTANT NOTICE

Section 16-185 of the Property Tax Code provides in part:

"If the Property Tax Appeal Board renders a decision lowering the assessment of a particular parcel after the deadline for filing complaints with the Board of Review or after adjournment of the session of the Board of Review at which assessments for the

subsequent year are being considered, the taxpayer may, within 30 days after the date of written notice of the Property Tax Appeal Board's decision, appeal the assessment for the subsequent year directly to the Property Tax Appeal Board."

In order to comply with the above provision, YOU MUST FILE A PETITION AND EVIDENCE WITH THE PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THE ENCLOSED DECISION IN ORDER TO APPEAL THE ASSESSMENT OF THE PROPERTY FOR THE SUBSEQUENT YEAR.

Based upon the issuance of a lowered assessment by the Property Tax Appeal Board, the refund of paid property taxes is the responsibility of your County Treasurer. Please contact that office with any questions you may have regarding the refund of paid property taxes.